GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF NH - 47
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the development plan of the national highway No.47 in Kerala;

(b) the reasons for the inordinate delay in completing the four lane projects in the State;

(c) whether there is any new plan to make four lane in NH-47; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) [MAJOR GENERAL (RETI KHANDURI, AVSM]

(a) Development of National Highways is a continuous process and works are taken up in phases depending upon the inter-se priority of works and availability of funds. At present, development works to the tune of Rs.40.77 Crore are in progress on NH-47.Besides, four laning of the portion of NH-47 from Cochin to Kerala-Tamil Nadu border forming part of Cochin-Salem spur of North-South Corridor is included under National Highway Development Project (NHDP) and Port Connectivity Programme.

(b) The sanctioned project for four laning of Chertalai to Aluva (excluding 10 Kms.) section of NH-47 has been substantially completed except approaches to ROB at Kalamassery. The delay in completion of the approaches is due to the site problems.

(c)&(d) The programme for four laning of NH-47 in the State of Kerala is as under :-

(i) The section from Km.358.3 to 345.382 - the project preparation is in progress.

(ii) The section from Aluva (Km.332.6) to Angamaly (Km.316) -the work has been awarded.

(iii) Remaining section from Angamaly to Kerala/Tamil Nadu border of Cochin-Salem spur will be taken up in phases.